

Day 2: What does an increased emphasis on holistic approaches mean for research?

Conference Topic, Day Two:

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Topic 2: How are mixed methods or multidisciplinary research approaches applied in practice? What areas do you need to know about to strengthen your capabilities in a range of research paradigms? Scholars from the World Health Organisation (WHO) share their experiences from the field.

Target Audience: This online conference is **free to join** and will bring together academics and researchers, from a wide range of disciplines, who are interested in refining their understanding of holistic and integrated approaches to research in a global context or who are already using these approaches in their work. The event is aimed at: **academics, researchers, policy makers, and knowledge professionals**, who are conducting, or using research, to inform policy or practice in order to solve socio-economic problems in society at local, national, regional or international levels. It will be of **particular interest** to those who would like explore:

- The range of research approaches adopted by experts in different fields
- How to apply approaches adopted by a range of sectors (beyond health) to their specific discipline
- The importance of adopting a holistic and integrated approach to solving societal problems
- The benefits of mixing methods, approaches, and disciplines
- The experiences of experts from different disciplines
- How research approaches have shifted during the 21st century and the implications this has for future research in a global context.

Conference Speakers, Day Two:

	<p>Isabelle Wachsmuth, World Health Organisation (WHO), is an expert in multi-sectoral institutional and human capacity building with 16 years of experience in an international network promoting and implementing knowledge management solutions in both high and low income countries. Her current role in the Service Delivery and Safety Department at WHO Headquarters involves addressing emerging Issues like palliative care, genomic, collaboration between traditional, alternative and complementary medicine and conventional medicine and Quality Universal Health Coverage (QUHC) in the perspective to strengthen health system and services.</p> <p>She was Director of international advanced technology projects in private sector. She was also project and communication officer of EVIPNet (Evidence Informed Policy Network) at the Knowledge Ethic and Research Department at WHO Headquarter for 7 years, designing and bringing to life its social network for helping policy-makers to make better decisions based on evidence and to establish sustainable partnerships and collaboration with others stakeholders.</p> <p>She has worked with the implementation of knowledge management and e-learning platforms for others projects in WHO and previously Vivendi Universal. She had also worked for UN Economic Commissions on Public private partnerships solutions. Email: hugueti@who.int</p>
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